

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

No. VIII.

WE are next to examine the Spanish Treaty. And we shall now see, whether upon a fair construction there has been a violation of it on the part of Spain, as it has been denominated in the memorial of the state of Kentucky, and in a formal resolution of the House of Representatives; or whether, in the gentle phraseology of the President, it ought only to be termed an irregular proceeding.

The 22d article of the treaty, contains the stipulation in question, and is as follows:

"The two contracting parties, hoping that the good correspondence and friendship which happily reigns between them, will be further increased by this treaty, and that it will contribute to augment their prosperity and opulence, will in future give to their mutual commerce all the extension and favor which the advantages of both countries may require.

"And in consequence of the stipulations contained in the 4th article, his Catholic Majesty will permit the citizens of the United States, for the space of three years from this time, [Oct. 27th, 1795] to deposit their merchandize and effects in the port of New-Orleans, and to export them from thence without paying any other duty than a fair price for the hire of the stores; and his Majesty promises either to continue this permission, if he finds during that time that it is not prejudicial to the interests of Spain; or, if he should not agree to continue it there, he will assign to them on another part of the banks of the Mississippi an equivalent establishment."

The article will fairly admit of but two constructions; either that Spain has the full and complete term of three years within which to make the experiment, whether the permission given is prejudicial to her interests, & may, within a reasonable time afterwards declare her election to assign on another part of the banks of the Mississippi an equivalent establishment, and to discontinue the permission to New-Orleans, or, that she is absolutely bound to make her election, declare it, and proceed to make the assignment within the term of three years. The last may be contended for as the preferable construction, first, because more agreeable to the decisions at common law. Without the parade and pedantry of citing cases, we shall state it as an established principle—that where one is bound to do a certain thing within a given time, he must perform strictly within the time unless hindered by the other party, or by inevitable accident, and cannot avail himself of the advantage afterwards. Secondly, the last construction is to be preferred as being more definite and precise, leaving no room to cavil about days, weeks or months, which might have led to serious embarrassments. We shall not, however, here detain the reader by an elaborate attempt to establish this construction, since, according to either construction it shall be shewn there has been equally a violation of the treaty in two essential particulars. We reserve a critical examination of the terms employed in this article, till we come to discuss the Intendant's proclamation, when we shall more conveniently dispose of the whole subject together.

The Intendant at New-Orleans has discovered a third construction of the article, which however extraordinary, may at least plead the merit of necessity. It follows, as translated from a publication made in the Spanish language on the 16th of October, and is to be seen in the following

PROCLAMATION.

"As long as it was necessary to tolerate the commerce of neutrals, which is now abolished, it would have been prejudicial to the Province, had the Intendant in compliance with his duty prevented the deposit in this city of the property of the Americans, granted to them by the 22d article of the treaty of friendship, limits, and navigation, of the 27th October, 1795, during the limited term of three years. With the publication of the ratification of the treaty of Amiens, and the re-establishment of the communication between the English and Spanish subjects, that inconvenience has ceased. Considering that the 22d article of the said treaty takes from me the power of continuing the operation which necessity required; since

after the fulfillment of the said term, this ministry can no longer consent to it without an express order from the King.—Therefore, and without prejudice to the exhortation of what has been admitted in proper time, I order, that from this date, the privilege which the Americans had of importing and depositing their merchandize and effects in this capital, shall be interdicted: And, that the foregoing may publicly known, and that nobody may be alledge ignorance, I order it to be published in the usual places, copies to be posted up in the public places; and that the necessary notice be given of it to the officers of finance, the administrator of rents, and otherwise as may be necessary.

The present being given under my hand, and countersigned by the underwritten Notary of Finance, pro tempore, in the office of Intendancy of New-Orleans, 16th Oct. 1802.

(Signed)

JUAN VENTURA MORALES.
By order of the Intendant,
PEDRO PEDESCLAUX.

Faithfully translated from the Spanish language.

JACOB WAGNER,
Chief Clerk Department State.

Here the Intendant begins by telling us that the stipulation on the part of Spain, arose from a miserable necessity she was under of tolerating the commerce of neutrals, and that that necessity no longer existing, he proceeds to "order that the privilege of deposit allowed to Americans, shall be interdicted." This is widely different from the preamble of the 22d article.—There we find the two contracting parties declaring it their determination "in future to give to their mutual commerce all the extension and favor which the advantages of both countries may require," and then, in furtherance of this intention, the stipulation in question follows. Certainly terms more broad and liberal could not be desired nor hardly framed.

Admitting the meaning of the article to be ambiguous, which is only yielded for the sake of the argument, there are certain maxims which have obtained, in the interpretation of Treaties, not inapplicable to the case before us, and which, we think, strongly support the constructions we contend for.

"Every thing that tends to the common advantage in conventions, or that has a tendency to place the contracting powers on an equality, is favorable." Vattel, Lib. 2. Ch. 17. sec. 301.

"All the things which, without too much burthening any one person in particular, are useful and salutary to human society, ought to be reckoned among the favorable things."—Ib. sec. 302.

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Much more to the same purpose might be introduced in support of the construction on this article as contended for by us, allowing, which in fact is expressly denied, allowing that we found ourselves driven to reconcile two or more sentences in collision. But the truth is the intention of the parties is amply manifest in the instrument itself, and the terms are sufficiently clear and precise; there is no room for rational doubt as to their meaning. We are now then prepared for a short statement of the case.

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of Spain should within the 3 years expressly discontinue it and make us satisfaction by previously assigning another place on the bank of the Mississippi, equally good and convenient in all respects. The term within which this might have been done, has elapsed more than four years ago, no discontinuance had been expressed or intimated in the stipulated term of three years, nor within a reasonable time afterwards; no equivalent assignment has been made or proposed, nor has even yet been talked of; but the port is all at once shut; and where, through special favour, the former permission is granted to certain individuals, it has been, not by their paying "a fair price for the hire of stores," but by the exaction of duties, amounting in some instances to fifty per cent upon the cargo; property to a large amount has been sacrificed, and the right of free navigation of the river is substantially taken away from our citizens.

This opinion is strongly corroborated by the grammatical construction of the sentence as it stands, for the words "during that time" must be considered as being understood in the second member, and the sentence would then correctly close thus, "Or if, during that time, he should not agree to continue it there, he will assign to them on another part of the banks of the Mississippi an equivalent establishment." Besides, according to the letter and spirit of the article, the intention of the parties, and the nature of the case itself, the assignment of another place, must be a previous act to the discontinuance of the permission at New-Orleans. This is evident from the consideration that if the permission could be withdrawn one month, and the new assignment made at the expiration of the next, it would put the American citizens not only to a great inconvenience, but to a great loss, without any advantage to the other party. A stipulation so unequal and so odious can never be taken by implications. Well might therefore Governor Claiborne enquire of the Governor General of Louisiana, "whether any and what other place on the banks of the Mississippi has been assigned (in conformity to the Treaty) for an equivalent establishment?"

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Now is it strange circumstances, duels, in our land? Is it in latter years, even before their teens have fallen in such bloody countrymen: where the necessity of duels in our schools inculcated as a fact, the prevalence of wonder.

[To be continued.]

From the BALANCE.
ON THE INCREASING PERVERSITY OF DUELING.

No. II.

IT is not uncommon in the history of nations, that moral sentiment becomes corrupted and flagitious and even inhuman practices spring up and acquire repute, from causes which operate so secretly, that they are scarcely perceived till they have completely wrought their pernicious effects. It is from such unregarded, but powerful causes, that the inhuman practice of duelling, trampling upon law, religion and every sacred tie, has in latter years, prevailed and still increases in this country.

In consequence of the publication of the letters of the Earl of Chesterfield to his son, a new standard of morals, among the fashionable ranks in society, seems to have been established. The ease & elegance of style in which those letters were written, together with their many judicious as well as witty remarks on men and manners, have disguised and sweetened the deadly poison that they contain: and, at the same time, the exalted rank of the writer, his brilliant talents as a statesman and his extensive fame as the most polished nobleman in England, gave them the force of law, under the empire of the potent queen called Fashion.

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With an aching heart I beheld the conduct of Court House on Saturday. [Here, in exercising an objectionable pastime, Abraham, always full of ideas of gain, opening warmed me to our competency to what a luminous idea of his discovery by Congress, with would make thereby a fortune, and I was immediately as treasurer O! what a sudden power; by stating which arose out of how came thou to stumble on this der it tickled on a phetic vapour spread tude, nauseated the ductions of thy in Abraham disappoin my eyes toward F. his aid capt. Mort Rose; to the corre and to capt. Hemerton, our Chairman Caucus—hoping the wonder-working aduct of our marvelously brought forth to understandings of the here I was again di be the cause that hand held back the which would clearly ritorial legislature, display his astonishi on; nor can Frank tario by being I doubt the Feds ha horrid trick with o refused to lift their memorial which oboured to mature. O! my friends, ordinary changes a dead: Unite! let our of our immacula and patriots out of town; that it may as well as a lesson to ritorial and self-g to suffer Frank to r HABEAK

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It has been read by thousands, and perhaps by hundreds of thousands of children and youth in the American schools. It seems to have been inculcated upon them as a sacred duty, or, at least, as an indispensable requisite to an honorable standing in society. And what must have been the natural effects? Boys of spirit, and especially such as belong to distinguished families, with to arrive to the rank of gentlemen; which implies, as they have been expressly taught, a promptness to challenge to duel, in case of any designed affront. Under this impression, they grow up to the state of manhood. Hasty in their tempers, rash and precipitate in their conduct, as is usual with youth, who while they have a flow of animal spirits, are entirely destitute of experience; dreading also, above all things, degradation and contempt, and panting for honor, they meet with a real or supposed affront: and what must they do in this case? If the affront be not of such a nature that they can pass it off with "extreme politeness," they must either challenge to a decision by the sword, or else forfeit forever the character of gentlemen.

Now is it strange, that, under these circumstances, duels have become common in our land? Is it strange that some, in latter years, even before they were out of their teens have fought duels, and have fallen in such bloody affrays? No, my countrymen: when it is considered that the necessity of duelling is one of the lessons in our schools; and that it is there inculcated as a sacred duty of a man of honour, the prevalence ceases to be a matter of wonder.

[To be continued.]

Alexandria Advertiser.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25.

FLOUR.

Yesterday was inspected in this town, two hundred and twenty seven waggon loads of Flour, making two thousand three hundred and seventy barrels.

COMMUNICATION.

With an aching heart, fellow-citizens, I beheld the conduct of the meeting at the Court House on Saturday night last.—

[Here, in exercise of an editorial right, an objectionable passage is suppressed.]

Abraham, always faithful to the useful ideas of gain, followed; and his first opening warmed my heart; he asserted our competency to govern ourselves: O! what a luminous idea! But the profundity of his discovery of the right to be paid by Congress, with the saving Congress would make thereby, filled me with rapture, and I was ready to vote him in immediately as treasurer to the district; but O! what a sudden reverse in his logical powers; by stating his two questions which arose out of one: O! Abraham, how camest thou, being a solid German, to stumble on this Irish logic? No wonder it sickened on thy stomach; the mesmeric vapour spreading among the multitude, nauseated their appetite for the productions of thy ingenuity—I was in Abraham disappointed. Then I turned my eyes toward Francisco, our chief, to his aid capt. Mortar; to the blooming Rose; to the correct and perfect Archy; and to capt. Hem! (alias) Governor Clinton, our Chairman of the School House Caucus—hoping they would produce that wonder-working address; the joint product of our marvelous talents; begot and brought forth to illuminate the opaque understandings of the Alexandrians: But here I was again disappointed; what can be the cause that our select and trusty band held back their rare production? which would clearly prove without a territorial legislature, capt. Hem! can never display his astonishing powers of legislation; nor can Francisco ever bless the territory by being its Governor. What caused this wonderful silence? Ah! I doubt the Feds have been playing some horrid trick with our forest patriots, who refused to lift their hands in support of the memorial which our chief diligently laboured to mature.

O! my friends, rouse! for such extraordinary changes are enough to raise the dead: Unite! let us join under the banner of our immaculate Col. Francisco, and drive every wicked Fed, and even recreant patriots out of the councils of the town; that it may prove a punishment as well as a lesson to those who reject territorial and self-government, and refuse to suffer Frank to reign over them.

HABBAKUK, Confia to Tim.

A letter received at Boston, dated "St. Stephens, Nov. 6, 1802," mentions, "that the schr. Ann. on her passage to that place from Philadelphia fell in with the wreck of a schooner, having both masts gone, no persons on board, loaded with flour, having the Alexandria brand- took her anchors from her bow, and four barrels flour; right approaching, left her."

Captain Anthony of the schooner Fair Play, who arrived at Wilmington, N. C. on the 2d instant, 13 days from Guadalupe, informs that the insurgents in that island are entirely subdued; that tranquility, order and regular government had taken place of Insurrection, and all those dreadful forbodings which have been realized to the unfortunate inhabitants of St. Domingo; that business was beginning to assume a lively attitude, and American produce in considerable demand. For these blessings, however sacrifices shocking to humanity have been made. All the coloured people, of whatever age or sex have been burnt, hung, shot, and transported, except about 100 who were in the woods; but in consequence of a proclamation, which was issued by the government, offering pardon with transportation, to those who would surrender, a considerable portion of that number had come before capt. A failed; and it was expected in a few days there would not remain on the island one of those wretched beings, who but lately constituted a large majority of its population. The most respectable of them, and those who had been distinguished for the humanity to the whites during the Revolution, were transported. They were forced on board of the American and English vessels lying there, at the point of the bayonet—the latter were compelled to take on board from 10 to 12 and the former 5 to 6 each. Three men, two women, and a boy were sent on board the Fair Play; and when captain Anthony expostulated with the officers of government against receiving them, he was told to throw them overboard when he got to sea, and if he attempted to land them on the island his vessel should be sunk. Thus all remonstrance was in vain; his only alternatives were to destroy them or to bring them to Wilmington, and humanity forbade the former.

There were 30 sail of American vessels at Guadalupe when capt. A. left there, to sail in a few days to different parts of the Union; which on their arrival will probably do at in our country, upwards of 100 of the late chiefs of the insurgents of that island.

Capt. Anthony has entered a protest, and the inhabitants of Wilmington and its vicinity, are about to send a memorial to Congress, soliciting their immediate interference with respect to this extraordinary conduct of the government of Guadalupe, which if not speedily interdicted, may lead to the most fatal consequence.

It was reported at Guadalupe by the officers of a frigate which had just arrived there from France, that a War was expected between that nation and the U. States.

Information was received at Guadalupe a few days previous to the departure of the Fair Play, that an insurrection had actually taken place at Martinique, but to what extent our informant did not learn.

Dec. 26, in lat. 27, 30, long. 76, capt. A. spoke the brig Esroi, —, 70 days from Emden in Russia, bound to Charleston.

Wilmington Gaz.

The junior Editor of the Balance, an ably conducted paper established at Hudson, N. Y. has had two indictments found against him for "landering the President."

The attorney general, who is a democrat, was excessively anxious to hurry proceedings in the case; and opposed an application for postponement, on the principle, "that the defendant would not be permitted to give the truth in evidence, and therefore he would be no better prepared for a trial at a future day than he was then!"—This, it has been remarked is one of the "monuments of the safety with which error of opinion may be tolerated where reason is left free to combat it."

Homage to Tom Paine.—Benedict Arnold, after his horrible act of treason, at West Point, and in one of his predatory incursions at the Southward, falling in company with an American captain, the

traitor enquired, what the Americans would do to him, if he should fall in their hands. "Your leg, that was wounded in our service, replied the captain, they would take off & bury with the honors of war; but the rest of your body they would hang in gibbets."

The transition from Arnold to Paine is extremely natural. Paine indeed was never wounded in the country's service; because, having a stomach that could digest beef-flakes and brandy, much better than leaden balls, he always kept himself out of gun-shot; but he wrote a good pamphlet. Bravo! Let him have the honor. Let this feather wave in his French cap, while his general character, as a drunken debauchee, as a horrid blasphemer of religion, and as a spiteful reviler of Washington, is doomed by all good Americans to be suspended on the gibbet of infamy.—Balance.

Copy of a letter dated Cape-Francois, Dec. 26, 1802, to a mercantile gentleman of Balt. communicated to the editors of the American for publication.

DEAR SIR,

An occurrence took place a few days since in the Cape, which no doubt will cause much noise and alarm in the United States. In order to remove any unfavorable ideas with which exaggerated reports of this event may have impressed your mind, we beg leave to lay before you a concise and impartial relation of the facts, which if you judge expedient, you have our permission to make public.

The low state of the finances, little augmented by the reduced revenue arising from the declining commerce of the colony, rendered it necessary, in order to meet the current expences of the army, to anticipate by way of loan. To effect this, the general in chief called in three French merchants, from whom he demanded 37,000 dollars, for which he offered bonds on the treasury, payable in the course of the following month, either in cash, or to be taken in compensation for duties; and the proof of his good faith in this present instance, is, that those who have had duties to pay, have been already reimbursed in that way, although it is but fifteen days since the loan was made.

These merchants as little versed in the science of finance, as they are ignorant of the dispositions of mankind, instead of convening the merchants, and opening a voluntary subscription, by which easy and simple means double the amount demanded would have been subscribed in half an hour, arbitrarily took upon themselves to tax each individual with the sum they thought fit and demanded it in a peremptory manner. The necessity of the measure being obvious, many, although they disapproved of the mode of levying, immediately complied: others, for reasons best known to themselves, absolutely refused. The general in chief, after having given repeated notifications, during the space of twelve days, that rigorous measures would be resorted to in case of non-compliance, thought proper to enforce his measures, by ordering to prison four American and three French merchants, where they remained one night, and were liberated the next day on paying the sum demanded. In the present, as in every other instance that has come under our observation, foreigners have had no more reason to complain of this government than its own citizens. It is true, that a few obscure intrigues have continually held us up as objects of jealousy, but their measures are only calculated to defeat their object; and in our opinion, the persons and property of foreigners in this country, do now, and will continue to enjoy as much security as they ever have done.

We remain sir,

With respect,

Your most obt. humble servts,
TAYLOR & ALEXANDER,
HILLEN & WILLIAMS.

We understand that the Rev. B. Allison, principal in the Academy at Borden town, New Jersey, in connection with Mr. John J. Hawkins, has made a discovery likely to prove highly beneficial to paper makers, viz. the making of paper from the Husks of Indian Corn. It is expected that this article can be furnished in great abundance by the Farmers, at a low rate.

We are informed, that they have obtained a Patent for the Invention from the United States and propose selling out Rights to Paper makers.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, Jan. 20.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any and if any, what alterations are necessary in the law, entitled "An act to amend the judicial system of the United States," and to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Messrs. Brent, Perkins & Jones appointed the committee.

Mrs. Brent, from the committee appointed on the 21st ult. on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Alexandria, made a report which was agreed to as follows, & Messrs. Brent, Van Horne and Talimage appointed a committee to bring in a bill:

Resolved, That whenever the legislature of Virginia shall pass a law authorizing the incorporated society of that state, known by the name of "the Mutual Insurance Society on buildings in Virginia against accidents by fire," to extend their insurances on buildings in the county of Alexandria, agreeable to the same laws, rules and regulations by which the said society is governed in their insurances in that state, from thenceforth it shall be lawful for the said society to have the same right & mode of recovering in the courts of the county of Alexandria, against any inhabitant thereof, so insuring with the said society his building in the said county against accidents by fire, which might be had against him, if the person so insuring was a citizen, and the buildings so insured situated in the state of Virginia.

The house then resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. John C. Smith in the chair, on the report of the committee to whom was referred so much of the President's Message as relates to Navy Yards and the building of docks.

After a consideration of the same, the committee rose & reported that they had agreed to the first resolution, as stated in our last, and had made further progress in the second resolution.

The house proceeded to consider the report, agreed to the first resolution, and appointed Messrs. Mitchell, Rutledge, Hanna, Wadsworth and Mott a committee to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

On the question whether the committee should have leave to sit again on the second resolution, it passed in the negative.

On which the following motion was made and agreed to:

Resolved, That a committee consisting of Messrs. Mitchell, Rutledge, Hanna, Wadsworth and Mott, be appointed to enquire into the usefulness and propriety of constructing a dock or docks at either of the public navy yards, or elsewhere within the United States, for the building and repair of ships of war.

Public Sale.

Will be added to next Wednesdays Sales,
7 hhds. BROWN SUGAR,

on a credit of 60 days.

T. PATTEN.

Jan. 25.

Public Vendue.

On Thursday next, the 27th inst. at eleven o'clock, will be sold on Messrs. Hewes and Miller's wharf,

25 hhds. first quality Sugar,
at a credit of 90 and 120 days, for approved negotiable notes.

P. G. MARSTELLER.

Jan. 25.

For Falmouth and a Market.

The SHIP Governor Strong,
(now lying at the Navy Yard)
will be sold as soon as weather permits
will commence loading at this port for
Falmouth and a Market. 50 hhds. To
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A. HENDERSON and Co.

FOR SALE,

A few qr. casks of Sherry 3
years old, and some bags of Cotton at
moderate prices.—Also,

Bills on N. York & London.

Jan. 25.

Printing in all its va
riety executed at this office,
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The Executors of the late Gen. Geo. Washington, offer for sale, the following
TRACTS OF LAND, viz.

A tract in Loudoun county on Difficult Run, containing 300 acres. The soil well adapted for farming and a considerable proportion of it might easily be improved into meadow. There is a valuable mill-seat on the premises. It lies on the great road from the City of Washington, Alexandria and George Town to Leesburgh and Winchester, nineteen miles from Alexandria, less from the City and George Town and not more than three from the Great Falls of Potomac.

One tract containing 2,481 acres lying in the counties of Loudoun and Fauquier, called Ashby's Bent. The soil is that which is said to be most favorable to Plaster of Paris, well watered by several never failing streams issuing from the mountain—part of this land is cleared and enated for lives.

One tract lying part in each of the above counties, containing 885 acres. Chatten's run passes through this tract and tives several valuable mill-seats. The soil is similar to the above tract and equally favorable to Plaster of Paris.

A tract on the South Fork of Bullskin, containing 1600 acres—One alio, Head of Evans's Mill, containing 453 acres, and one on Wormley's line, containing 183 acres. These several tracts are in Jefferson (late Berkeley county)—the soil very similar in quality, and particularly adapted to the culture of Tobacco, Hemp, Wheat and Indian Corn, situated twelve miles from Harper's Ferry.

One tract containing 571 acres in Frederick county, this land is in the vicinity of the last mentioned tracts and equally valuable.

One tract in Hampshire county containing 240 acres—this tract, tho' small is extremely valuable. It lies on Potomac river, about 12 miles above the town of Bath (or Warm Springs) and is in the shape of a horse-shoe, the river running almost round it; two hundred acres of it are rich low grounds, with a great abundance of the largest Walnut and other trees, which with the produce of the soil, might (by means of the improved navigation of the Potomac) be brought to a shipping port with more ease and at a smaller expense, than that which is transported only 30 miles by land.

One third part of 1119 acres in Nansemond county near Suffolk, lying on the road from Suffolk to Norfolk and on Nansemond river—this land is considered extremely valuable by those who are acquainted with it.

One tract in Charles county, Maryland, containing 600 acres—it is very level and lies near the river Potomac.

One tract in Montgomery county, Maryland, containing 519 acres—This land lies about 30 miles above the City of Washington, not far from Ketton and is good farming land.

One tract in Pennsylvania, containing 234 acres—This land affords an exceeding good stand on Braddock's road from Fort Cumberland to Pittsburg, and a large quantity of natural meadow fit for the scythe. It is distinguished by the appellation of the Great Meadows, where the first action with the French, in the year 1754, was fought.

One other tract on the Mohawk river, State of New-York, containing 1000 acres.

In North West Territory. Three tracts lying on Little Miami, containing 3051 acres.

In Kentucky. On Rough Creek, one tract containing 3000 acres; ditto adjoining 2000 acres. Indisputable titles can be given for the above lands.

Lots in the City of Washington.

Two improved lots near the Capitol square 634. The improvements are, on each an elegant three story brick house.

Four other unimproved lots on the Eastern Branch, No. 5, 12, 13 and 14, in square 667. These lots are advantageously situated on the water.

ALEXANDRIA.

A few valuable lots in Alexandria, corner of Pitt and Prince-streets, three or four of which are let on ground rent at 3 dollars per foot.

WINCHESTER.

One lot in Town of half an acre, adjoining Doctor Makay's, enclosed with a good post and rail fence, and an-

other in the commons of about six acres.

Bath, or Warm Springs.

Two well situated lots, on one of the small building large enough to accommodate one family.

The terms of sale will be made known by application to either of the subscribers.

SAMUEL WASHINGTON, Culpepper county.

GEORGE S. WASHINGTON, Jefferson, do.

WILLIAM A. WASHINGTON, W. & S. do.

land, do.

GEORGE W. P. CUSTIS, Mount Washington, Fairfax, do.

BUSHROD WASHINGTON, M. Vernon, do.

LAWRENCE LEWIS, Wood Lawn, do.

August 30.

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VALUABLE PROPERTY,

For Sale or Rent.

THOSE two three story BRICK HOUSES on the corner of King and Columbus streets. They will be sold separate or together, as may be preferred, or they may be rented for one or more years.

Apply to

THOMAS PATTEN.

Dec. 20.

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

County of Alexandria, ff.

NOVEMBER TERM, 1802

Elkanah Doolittle, Compt'l.

against

Jacob Harman and Samuel Davis, trading under the

firm of Harman & Davis,

and William Hartshorne, juu.

Defts.

The defendant Jacob Harman

not having entered his appearance, and given security according to the act of assembly and the rules of this court, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court upon affidavit, that the said Harman is not an inhabitant of this district, on motion of the said complainant, by his counsel, it is ordered, that the said defendant Harman do appear here on the first day of June term next, and enter his appearance to the suit, and give security for performing the decrees of the court; and that the other defendant, William Hartshorne, do not pay away, convey, or secrete the debts by him owing to, or the estate or effects in his hands belonging to the said absent defendant, Harman, until the further order or decree of this court; and that a copy of this order be forthwith published for two months successively in one of the public newspapers published in this county, and that another copy be posted at the front door of the court house of the said county.

A copy.

Test, G. DENEALE, Clerk.

January 11. 2aw 2m

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

County of Alexandria, ff.

November Term, 1802.

Josua Riddle, plaintiff,

against

Samuel Hilton & Malachi Fife, defendants.

The defendant Samuel Hilton,

not having entered his appearance, and given security according to the act of assembly and the rules of this court, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court upon affidavit, that the said Samuel Hilton is not an inhabitant of this district, on motion of the said complainant, by his counsel, it is ordered that the said defendant, Samuel Hilton, do appear here on the first day of June term next, and enter his appearance to the suit, and give security for performing the decrees of the court; and that the other defendants, Malachi Fife, do not pay away, convey, or secrete the debts by him owing to, or the estate or effects in his hands belonging to the said absent defendant Samuel Hilton, until the further order or decree of this court; and that a copy of this order be forthwith published for two months successively in one of the public newspapers published in this county, and that another copy be posted at the front door of the court house of the said county.

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January 11. 2aw 2m

Alexandria County, ff.

PERSONALLY appeared before me,

A. Faw, one of the Justices of the Peace for said County, John Smith and Moses Kenny, who made oath that they were called on by Jacob Heineman to view and appraise a gray Sow, and find her to be a sandy coloured Sow, between one and two years old, marked with a crop and under keel in her left ear, and a crop and a slit in her right ear, and we appraise her to the value of five dollars & fifty cents. Given under my hand, this 20th day of January, 1803.

A. FAW.

Jan. 20. 2aw 2t

Clean linen and cotton rags bought at this office.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

County of Alexandria, ff.

November Term, 1802.

Josua Riddle, complainant, } In
against Lindsey Pollard & Samuel Chancery.

Hilton, defendants.

The defendant, Lindsey Pollard not having entered his appearance, and given security according to the act of assembly and the rules of this court, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court upon affidavit, that the said Lindsey Pollard is not an inhabitant of this district, on motion of the said complainant, by his counsel, it is ordered, that the said defendant, Lindsey Pollard, do appear here on the first day of June term next, and enter his appearance to the suit, and give security for performing the decrees of the court; and that the other defendant, Samuel Hilton, do not pay away, convey or secrete the debts by him owing to, or the estate or effects in his hands belonging to the said absent defendant Lindsey Pollard, until the further order or decree of this court; and that a copy of this order be forthwith published for two months successively in one of the public newspapers published in this county, and that another copy be posted at the front door of the court house of the said county.

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Test, G. DENEALE, Clerk.

January 11. 2aw 2m

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

County of Alexandria, ff.

Nicholas Lingan, complainant, } In
against Nathl. Washington & Wm. Chancery.

Hartshorne, defendants.

The defendant Nathaniel Washington not having entered his appearance, and given security according to the act of assembly and the rules of this court, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court upon affidavit, that the said Nathaniel Washington is not an inhabitant of this district, on motion of the said complainant, by his counsel, it is ordered, that the said defendant, Nathaniel Washington, do appear here on the first day of June term next, and enter his appearance to the suit, and give security for performing the decrees of the court; and that the other defendant, William Hartshorne, do not pay away, convey, or secrete the debts by him owing to, or the estate or effects in his hands belonging to the said absent defendant, Hartshorne, until the further order or decree of this court; and that a copy of this order be forthwith published for two months successively in one of the public newspapers published in this county, and that another copy be posted at the front door of the court house of the said county.

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Test, G. DENEALE, Clerk.

January 11. 2aw 2m

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

County of Alexandria, ff.

November Term 1802.

Joseph Tidball, complainant, } In
against James Kidd, Mordecai Miller Chancery.

and J. Horshburg, debts.

The defendant, James Kidd, not having entered his appearance and given security according to the act of assembly and the rules of this court, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court upon affidavit, that the said James Kidd is not an inhabitant of this district, on motion of the said complainant, by his counsel, it is ordered, that the said defendant, James Kidd, do appear here on the first day of June term next, and enter his appearance to the suit, and give security for performing the decrees of the court; and that the other defendants, Mordecai Miller and John Horshburg, do not pay away, convey or secrete the debts by them owing to, or the estate or effects in their hands belonging to the said absent defendant James Kidd, until the further order or decree of this court; and that a copy of this order be forthwith published for two months successively in one of the public newspapers published in this county, and that another copy be posted at the front door of the court house of the said county.

A copy,

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January 11. 2aw 2m

Twenty Dollars Reward.

A BSCONDED from the employ of Daniel Douglass, flour inspector in the town of Alexandria, on the 12th inst. a Negro man named NACE, 36 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, stout built, talk but little, full look; had on & took away with him sundry clothing, among which are a new drab short coat, blue trousers and waistcoat, all with leather buttons, two Russia sheeting and one white shirt, one plain white Marcelline and one dimity waistcoat. The above reward will be paid for delivering him to me.

ELIZABETH PEAKE,

living between Alex. and Mount-Vernon.

All masters of vessels and others are forewarned harbouring or carrying off said fellow, at their peril.

Dec. 29. 2aw 2t

R. & J. GRAY

Have lately received an Assortment of valuable Books in the different Branches of LITERATURE and SCIENCE, chiefly of the best London editions, & a number of them in elegant Binding, which added to their former stock, form altogether the best assortment of Books ever offered for sale in Alexandria. The following are a part of those lately received, and which are not contained in their Catalogue:

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